

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

As the year 2020 comes to a close and we begin making plans to embark on a brand-new year, we are presented with opportunities of grace and growth as members of Holy Family School and Parish. Although we have been faced with numerous challenges by the impact of the COVID-19 virus global pandemic, I have been impressed by the resilience, creativity, and optimistic attitudes that have sustained our Catholic school. I have witnessed our teachers and staff adapt to quickly changing circumstances to develop innovative programs and initiatives as they strive to meet the needs of our students. With the loss of Bingo revenue, faced with financial instability, parents, grandparents, and parishioners have come together, researched and implemented new fundraisers and enthusiastically supported established endeavors. You are my Heroes!

I have missed my daily encounters with our parent, grandparent, parishioner, and friend volunteers. Whether you are working in the library, assisting with the annual Book Fair, Santa's Cottage, holiday parties, or fundraisers, you bring enthusiasm and warmth to the environment of Holy Family School. Your family commitment for eight volunteer hours for the parish and school continues. In the absence of in-school opportunities, there are areas of need for volunteer assistance for both the school and the parish. Volunteers are needed for the Queen of Hearts fundraiser, Scrip sellers after the Masses on Saturday and Sunday, Mass ushers, cleaning team members to sanitize the church after Masses, and groundskeeping at the school and parish.

When Bingo resumes, our Bingo obligation will begin again. Our teams are in need of captains, callers, and auditors. It would be wonderful to have our teams and leaders trained and ready for service when Bingo is reinstated.

Please participate! If you are interested in any of these volunteer opportunities, please contact the school office, and we will put you in touch with the appropriate chairperson.

As a community of faith, we instill service to others as a core of Catholic/Christian discipleship. What beautiful examples for our children to witness as families come together to work for the benefit of our school and our parish.

My love to you and your families,

Margaret Pennell